DESCRIPTION OF A NEW SPECIES OF GERYGONE FROM LORD HOWE'S ISLAND.

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GERYGONE THORPEI, sp. nov.

The present species, which I have dedicated to Mr. J. A. Thorpe its discoverer and one of our most skilled taxidermists, was obtained during a recent trip to Lord Howe's Island. A previous species (G. insularis) is described in the Proceedings of the Linnean Society of N. S. Wales, Vol. III. p. 117, to which the present is allied, but differs in having the whole of the under surface citron-yellow.

Adult Male.—The whole of the upper surface uniform dull-brown with a decided tinge of olive, the margins of the outer webs of the wing-feathers ashy, the whole of the under surface, a narrow indistinct ring round the eye, and the under tail-coverts citron-yellow, tail brown with a blackish sub-terminal band, and a sub-terminal spot of white near the tip, which extends on to both webs on the outermost tail feathers, but is confined to the inner webs on the others, being lost on the central two tail feathers, the outer feather on either side is moreover narrowly margined with white, more distinctly on the outer web near the base, the others similarly marked but less distinctly. Total length, 4·1 inches; wing, 2 inches; tail, 2 inches; tarsus, 0·85 inch; bill, 0·55 inch.

Hab.—Lord Howe's Island.

